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Examiner: Lu, Frank Wei Min In re U. S. Patent No.: 6,861,218 Art Unit: 1624 Inventors: Oskar A. Haas et al Conf. No.: 3525 Serial No.: 09/899,304 03/01/2005 Issued: Method For The Targeted Application For: of Reagents Onto Immobilized **Biological Material**

REQUEST FOR REINSTATEMENT OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS

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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby requests that the entity status in the above-styled case be corrected to reflect that the assignee, MetaSystems Hard and Software GmbH, is a small entity. This application was filed as a small entity, however, due to an inadvertent error the Notice of Allowance indicated the status as large entity and such error was not corrected at the time the Issue Fee was paid.

The Post-Issue Branch is encouraged to contact the undersigned should any additional information be required to process this request in order that the maintenance fee, which is now due, may be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

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